

10. (New) The method of claim 9, wherein said hair growth provides additional protection from cold temperatures.

11. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said hair growth is due to thickened hair sheath diameter, increased hair diameter, differentiation of quiescent hair follicles into more mature forms, increased rate of growth in hair length and/or thickness, or the appearance of proliferation of new hair follicles.

12. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said compound is co-administered with an agent promoting skin tissue growth or infiltration.

13. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein said agent is selected from the group consisting of an epidermal growth factor, a fibroblast growth factor, a platelet-derived growth factor, a transforming growth factor, a parathyroid hormone, a leukemia inhibitory factor, and an insulin-like growth factor.

14. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said peptidyl epoxy ketone is EST.

REMARKS

Upon entry of the present Preliminary Amendment, claims 1-2 and 7-14 will be pending. New claims 7-14 have been added. Support for the amended and new claims can be found throughout the application and *inter alia*, as follows: claim 1: original claim 3 and page 15, line 9; claim 2: page 13, lines 18-20; claim 7: page 4, line 16; claim 8: page 4, lines 22-26; claim 9: page 4, line 17; claim 10: page 4, lines 17-21; claim 11: page 4, lines 10-15, page 17, lines 1-2,

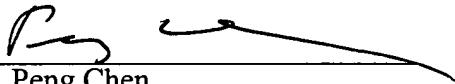
and page 18, lines 1-2; claim 12: page 6, lines 5-6; claim 13: page 6, lines 6-10; and claim 14: page 15, line 9. No new matter has been introduced by the present amendments.

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EXHIBIT A. VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

1. (Amended) A method to treat a mammalian subject for a condition benefited by stimulating hair growth which method comprises administering to said mammalian subject in need of such treatment an effective amount of [a compound that inhibits the activity of NF- κ B or that inhibits proteasomal activity or that inhibits production of these proteins] a peptidyl aldehyde or a peptidyl epoxy ketone.

2. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein said compound [inhibits proteasomal activity or that inhibits production of proteasome proteins] is MG-132, MG-115, or MG-101 (calpain inhibitor 1).

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